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Title:

PERFORMANCE MONITORING IN DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS USING SYNCHRONIZED &OCKS

AND DISTRIBUTED EVENT LOGS

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 20, 2000. If the above- application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under CFR 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

Submission under 37 CFE 1.114

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Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) & AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed 7-2-02 in the above-identified patent application, applicants respectfully request continued examination of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (a). The Patent Office is authorized to charge Deposit Account 50-1078 the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e). The authorization is also given on the accompanying transmittal letter for this amendment (a duplicate copy of which is enclosed for deposit charging purposes).

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